



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: February 24, 2009

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Administration, Airport Department

SUBJECT: Acceptance And Appropriation Of Federal Aviation Administration, Airport Improvement Program Grant Offer For Santa Barbara Airport

RECOMMENDATION: That Council:

- A. Accept and authorize the Airport Director to execute, on behalf of the City, FAA Grant Offer of \$1,347,262 in Airport Improvement Program (AIP) funds for Project No. AIP-3-06-0235-039-2009 for Phase I, Construction of a new airline terminal building;
- B. Increase appropriations and estimated revenue by \$1,418,170 in the Airport's Grants Fund for Phase I, Construction of a new airline terminal building, to be funded from Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Grant No. 03-06-0235-39-2009, including the City's 5% match portion (\$70,908); and
- C. Increase appropriations in the Airport Operating Fund by \$70,908 for the transfer of the City's matching portion funded from available reserves.

DISCUSSION:

The FAA under authorization from the United States Congress distributes AIP funds each year. Half of each year's authorized level of AIP funding is distributed to all eligible commercial service airports through an entitlement program that guarantees a minimum level of federal assistance each year based on prior year passenger enplanement levels. The remaining AIP funds are distributed on a discretionary basis.

However, Congress has failed to pass new legislation and the FAA is operating under a Continuing Resolution through March 31, 2009. FAA has approved the first of several AIP grant requests for funding for the Airline Terminal Improvement Program. A total of \$8,984,000 in AIP grant funds are included in the City's plan of finance for this project.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Funds for the City's 5% match are available in the Airport's Operating Reserves above policy.

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